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For: METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT FOR THE :
CONTINUOUS MANUFACTURE OF PROFILED :
LIGNOCELLULOSE-CONTAINING BOARD OR :
STRIP-LIKE PRODUCTS :
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to initiation of the prosecution of the above-identified pending U.S. patent application, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please delete the Abstract as filed and substitute therefor the attached revised Abstract.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification in accordance with the attached revised Specification.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-8 and add new claims 9-16.

9. (NEW) A method for continuously providing profiled lignocellulose-containing boards comprising providing a mat of disintegrated, dried and glue-coated lignocellulose-containing material, said mat including a pair of outer surfaces, providing at least one of said pair of outer surfaces of said mat with a predetermined surface profile, and pressing said mat into a board with a steam injection press while maintaining said

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